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1. THE LATIN AMERICAN PARLIAMENT'S (PARLATINO)
COMMITTEES ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND CULTURAL INTEGRATION
AND EDUCATION MET IN PARAMARIBO MARCH 16-18 WITH
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REPRESENTATIVES OF BRAZIL, COSTA RICA, MEXICO, SURINAM,
AND THE NETHERLANDS ANTILLES ATTENDING. AT A PRESS
CONFERENCE HELD AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE MEETINGS,
PARLATION PRESIDENT VICTOR MANZANILLA SCHAFFER (MEXICO)
REPORTED THAT IMPORTANT MATTERS IN LATIN AMERICAN
SOCIAL LIFE WERE DISCUSSED AND A REPORT ON HUMAN
RIGHTS IN LATIN AMERICA WAS DELIVERED.

2. ACCORDING TO NEWSPAPER ACCOUNTS BASED ON THE PRESS CONFERENCE, THE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT THE ARMS RACE AND SALES OF WEAPONS PARTICULARLY TO COUNTRIES WHICH VIOLATE HUMAN RIGHTS. COLONIALISM AND IMPERIALISM WILL LIKEWISE BE OPPOSED, AND THE FRENCH "COLONIES" IN LATIN AMERICA WERE CITED AS AREAS OF SPECIAL CONCERN. ACCORDING TO ONE ACCOUNT, A RESOLUTION WAS PASSED AT THE MEETING INVITING COLOMBIA, EL SALVADOR, GUATEMALA, NICARAGUA, PARAGUAY AND VENEZUELA TO REPORT ON THE HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION IN THEIR COUNTRIES. THE SURINAM DELEGATION REPORTEDLY SUGGESTED THAT GUYANA BE APPROACHED REGARDING MEMBERSHIP IN THE PARLATINO ONLY AFTER REACHING A PEACEFUL SOLUTION OF THE BORDER DISPUTE WITH SURINAM. ATTENTION WAS ALSO DRAWN TO WOMEN'S RIGHTS AND THE SALES OF DANGEROUS AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS WHICH ADVERSELY AFFECT HUMAN HEALTH AND WHICH HAVE BEEN PROHIBITED BY THE U.S. FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION.
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